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Q1: Respondent	BELIZE
Q2: About you	
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Q3: Does your national development strategy include trade priorities ? (i.e. Aid-for-Trade priorities)

Yes

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Q4: If yes, please indicate your Aid-for-Trade priorities :Below are listed the most common priority areas grouped according to broad Aid-for-Trade categories. Please rank the top 5 priority areas among the ones listed below.(1 being the most important)

Trade policy analysis, negotiations and implementation	5
Trade facilitation	3
Export diversification	2
Regional integration	4
Services development	1

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Q5: Have your Aid-for-Trade priorities changed since 2014?

No.

Please specify further the priorities that you selected above, as well as the main problems/obstacles encountered in furthering them. Please include a weblink to the relevant strategy.

Some setbacks in trade negotiations and intervals in the full implementation of agreements.

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Q6: If yes, please rank the top 3 drivers of these changes :(Please choose no more than 3 options)

Respondent skipped this question

Q7: Have these changes been reflected in your dialogue with development partners?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q8: In your view, can Aid for Trade make a contribution to the achievement of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda?

Yes

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Q9: If yes, please specify which Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) you think that Aid for Trade may help to achieve?Sustainable Development Goals:

- 2. Zero hunger,
- 8. Decent work and economic growth,
- 9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure,
- 10. Reduce inequalities

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Q10: In your view, can Aid for Trade make a contribution to women's economic empowerment?

Yes

Q11: Have you participated in any evaluation process that has been undertaken on the Aid-for-Trade support you receive?

Yes

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Q12: Is trade facilitation reflected as a priority in your national or regional development policy? (You may tick more than 1 box)	Yes, National Development Strategy with a broader conception of trade facilitation (e.g. trade and transport facilitation)
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Q13: If yes, in which policy document(s) can trade facilitation be found as a priority? (You may tick more than 1 box)	National development strategy,
	National trade strategy,
,	Regional development strategy,
	Additional information on the policy document(s) in which trade facilitation can be found as a priority. National Trade Policy Framework
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Q14: If no, does your government plan to include trade facilitation as a priority in future planning document(s)? (You may tick more than one box)	Respondent skipped this question
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Q15: Please outline the current status of work related to the implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement(You may tick more than 1 box)	Acceptance of Amendment Protocol ("Trade Facilitation Agreement ratification") deposited
Q16: Are you planning to use the flexibilities set out in section II of the Trade Facilitation Agreement?	Yes
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Q17: If yes, please specify:(You may tick more than 1	Category B commitments under preparation,
box)	Category C commitments under preparation

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Category C commitments under preparation

	Q18: Which disciplines of the Trade Facilitation	Art 1: Publication and Availability of Information ,
	Agreement are you seeking Aid-for-Trade support to implement?(You may tick more that 1 box)	Art 2: Opportunity to Comment, Information before Entry into Force and Consultations
		,
		Art 3. Advance Rulings,
		Art 4: Procedures for Appeal or Review,
		Art 5: Other measures to Enhance Impartiality, Non discrimination and Transparency
		Art 6: Disciplines on Fees and Charges Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation and Penalties
		Art 7: Release and Clearance of Goods ,
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		Art 10: Formalities Connected with Importation, Exportation and Transit
		Art 11: Freedom of Transit
		Art 11. Freedom of Transit
	Q19: Are you engaged in a dialogue with development partners on your Trade Facilitation Agreement implementation needs?	No
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	Q20: If yes, please specify with which development partners you are discussing Trade Facilitation Agreement implementation.	Respondent skipped this question
P	AGE 22: SECTION 2 : TRADE FACILITATION AGREEMENT	
	Q21: If no, what difficulties, if any, are you facing in securing Aid-for-Trade support to help implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement?(You may tick more than 1 box)	Respondent skipped this question
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	Q22: Is there an Aid-for-Trade facilitation project or programme that you wish to showcase as an example of best practice?	No

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Q23: Does your government have a national strategy for e-commerce (or other national digital-related strategy)?	No
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Q24: If yes, please indicate which of the following : (You may tick more than 1 box)	Respondent skipped this question
Q25: If yes, is this national strategy reflected in your national development strategy?	Respondent skipped this question
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Q26: If no, does your government plan to develop or update your national development strategy to include e-commerce (or other digital-related) priorities?	Unsure
Q27: Does your government plan to develop a separate e-commerce or (other digital-related) strategy ?	Yes
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Q28: Do you have any mechanism(s) to coordinate your national e-commerce (or other digital strategy) across government?	No
Q29: Does your existing or planned national strategy for e-commerce (or other digital-related) strategy cover issues related to trade in services and/or goods through e-commerce?	Unsure
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Q30: If yes, please indicate which issues are covered in your national e-commerce (or other digital related) strategy:(You may tick more than 1 box)	Respondent skipped this question
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Q31: For EXPORTS, what challenges do your micro,	Banking restrictions on foreign exchange transfer,
small and medium sized enterprises (MSMEs) face in relation to cross border e-commerce transactions? (You	Banking restrictions on foreign exchange transfer,
may tick more than 1 box)	Problems with on-line payment systems

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Q32: For IMPORTS, what challenges do your micro, small and medium sized enterprises (MSMEs) face in relation to cross border e-commerce transactions? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Banking restrictions on foreign exchange transfer,

Dealing with returned goods,

Difficulties accessing third party payment services

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Q33: Please estimate the percentage of goods and services that your country exports and imports internationally through e-commerce / digital channels and the growth of imports and exports though e-commerce / digital channels over the past 3 years.

Percentage of goods exported through e-commerce 0-10%

Percentage of services exported through e-commerce 0-10%

Percentage of goods traded as expedited shipments 0-10%

Growth of imports through e-commerce channels in the

past 3 years

Growth of export through e-commerce channels in the past

3 years

Growth of expedited shipments

0-10%

0-10%

0-10%

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Q34: For EXPORTS, what challenges does the on-line purchase of merchandise goods through e-commerce present for your customs and other border management authorities? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Banking restrictions on foreign exchange transfer,

Unsure

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Q35: For IMPORTS, what challenges does the on-line purchase of merchandise goods through e-commerce present for your customs and other border management authorities? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Unsure

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Q36: Please indicate how consumers and enterprises connect to the internet.

Fixed broadband 81-90%

Mobile phone 11-20%

Q37: Please indicate the main issues that enterprises and consumers in your countries have in accessing and using internet services.(You may tick more than 1 box)

Access to labour with necessary technical skills,

Cost of broadband subscription,

Credit card payments, E-signatures,

Intellectual property registration and policies addressing IP infringement

,

On-line fraud, Slow internet connection speeds

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Q38: Are electronic payments solutions available in your country?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Yes, e-banking,

Yes, credit or debit card transactions

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Q39: If yes, please estimate the percentage of transactions paid electronically in your country (through e-banking, mobile money or e-government):

21-30%

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Q40: If no, please outline what is holding back e-banking, mobile money and e-government transactions. (You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q41: Do consumers in your country use mobile phones for domestic and international remittances and fund transfer?

No

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Q42: Please indicate which e-government services your country provides:(You may tick more than 1 box)

E-government forms and application downloads,

On-line submission of forms and applications,

Electronic payments

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Q43: Are Information and Communication Technology support programmes available to support students, workers and Micro, Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (MSMEs)?	Yes, Additional information on whether ICT support programmes are available for students, workers and MSMEs. ICT training for students and MSME
Q44: Is there an Aid-for-E-commerce project or programme that you wish to showcase as an example of best practice?	No
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Q45: Do you anticipate a need for future assistance in order to meet your e-commerce strategic objectives?	Yes
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Q46: If yes, please indicate who you would like to work with to provide this support:(You may tick more than 1 box)	Bilateral donors, Multilateral and regional donors, South-South partners
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Q47: In your view, can growth in e-commerce make a contribution to women's economic empowerment?	Yes
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Q48: Does your national development strategy include trade-related infrastructure development priorities?	Yes
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Q49: If yes, please indicate which trade-related infrastructure sectors feature as priority sectors in your national development strategy.(You may tick more than 1 box)

TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE,

Maritime transport infrastructure,

Road transport infrastructure,

Infrastructure related to all modes of transport: cargo handling, storage and/or warehousing

COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE,

Telecommunications infrastructure,

ENERGY-RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE

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Q50: Does your national development strategy link trade-related infrastructure to the development of related services sectors?

Yes

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Q51: If yes, please indicate which services trade sectors feature as priority sectors in your national development strategy. (You may tick more than 1 box)

COMPUTER AND RELATED SERVICES (e.g., services related to installation of computer hardware, data processing and database services)

OTHER BUSINESS SERVICES,

Market research and public opinion polling services

Secondary education services,

Higher education services,

TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES,

Hotels and restaurants (including catering),

Travel agencies and tour operators services,

Tourist guides services,

RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SPORTING SERVICES (other than audio visual services)

TRANSPORT SERVICES (passenger and freight transportation)

Maritime transport services

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Q52: Does your national development strategy (or other national economic policy documents) link growth in services capacity and trade to growth in industrial capacity and manufacturing exports?

No

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Q53: If yes, please specify which services sectors are identified for growth in industrial capacity and manufacturing. (You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q54: Which services sectors are growing fastest in your country? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Accounting, auditing and bookeeping services,

COMPUTER AND RELATED SERVICES (e.g., services related to installation of computer hardware, data processing and database services)

Services incidental to agriculture, hunting and forestry

Services incidental to fishing,

Services incidental to mining,

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES,

TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES,

Hotels and restaurants (including catering),

Travel agencies and tour operators services,

Tourist guides services,

RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SPORTING SERVICES (other than audio visual services)

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Q55: What are the main issues constraining growth in national services capacity? Issues constraining growth: (You may tick more than 1 box)

Access to finance,

Education and vocational training,

Lack of recognition internationally of professional or vocational qualifications

,

Limitations on natural persons,

Limited access to export markets,

Low levels of domestic investment,

Poor information and communication technology network infrastructure

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Poor transport infrastructure (maritime, inland waterway, air, rail, road)

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Qualification requirements,

Quality of services offered

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Q56: What are the main issues constraining growth in your services trade? Issues constraining growth: (You may tick more than 1 box)

Access to finance, Costs of services offered,

Education and vocational training,

Lack of recognition internationally of professional or vocational qualifications

,

Limitations on natural persons,

Limited access to export markets,

Low levels of domestic investment,

Poor information and communication technology network infrastructure

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Poor transport infrastructure (maritime, inland waterway, air, rail, road)

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Q57: Which services sectors do you expect will support implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement and will help realize associated economic benefits? (You may tick more than 1 box)

COMPUTER AND RELATED SERVICES (e.g., services related to installation of computer hardware, data processing and database services)

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES,

Services incidental to agriculture, hunting and forestry

Services incidental to fishing,

Services incidental to mining,

COMMUNICATION SERVICES.

Telecommunication services,

DISTRIBUTION SERVICES (including wholesale and retail trade services)

FINANCIAL SERVICES,

Insurance and insurance-related services,

Banking and other financial services (excluding insurance)

HEALTH RELATED AND SOCIAL SERVICES,

Hospital services,

TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES,

Hotels and restaurants (including catering),

Travel agencies and tour operators services,

Tourist guides services

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Q58: Is there an Aid-for-Trade project or programme that you wish to highlight as an example of best practice?

Unsure

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Q59: Does your national development strategy include actions to improve the investment climate?

Yes

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Q60: If yes, please specify how: (You may tick more than 1 box)

By reducing risk for investors, By training officials,

By updating investment policy, regulations and/or strategy

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Q61: What actions have you taken to improve the investment climate in the past 5 years ? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Facilitating entry and operations of foreign investors,

Focusing on investment policy implementation and enforcement

Reforming an existing investment authority, investment promotion agency (IPA) and/or investment development agency

Reviewing tax policy, Training officials,

Updating investment policy, regulations and/or strategy

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Q62: Are development partners supporting investment climate reforms ?

No

Q63: If yes, is there a project or programme that you wish to highlight as an example of best practice?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q64: Does your national development strategy seek to attract investment in particular services sectors? If so, please identify which ones. (You may tick more than 1 box)

COMPUTER AND RELATED SERVICES (e.g., services related to installation of computer hardware, data processing and database services)

OTHER BUSINESS SERVICES,

Market research and public opinion polling services

Insurance and insurance-related services,

Tele medicine,

TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES,

RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SPORTING SERVICES (other than audio visual services)

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Q65: Can the development of services capacity and trade contribute to women's economic empowerment?

Yes

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Q66: If yes, please specify which services sectors in your country may have particular impact on women's economic empowerment?Services sectors:(You may tick more than 1 box)

COMPUTER AND RELATED SERVICES (e.g., services related to installation of computer hardware, data processing and database services)

OTHER BUSINESS SERVICES,

Insurance and insurance-related services,

Banking and other financial services (excluding insurance)

Hotels and restaurants (including catering),

RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SPORTING SERVICES (other than audio visual services)

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Q67: In your view, can services trade make a contribution to the achievement of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda?

Yes

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Q68: If yes, please specify which Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) you think that growth in services trade may help. Sustainable Development Goals: (You may tick more than 1 box)

- 2. Zero hunger, 4. Quality education,
- 5. Gender equality,
- 9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure

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Q69: CONSULTATION (Other ministries/agencies consulted in preparing this questionnaire reply):

(CITO) Central Intelligence Technology Office, Ministry of Petroleum, Economic Development